

Forest Improvement and Research Management Branch

Foundations and Function

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COMPLETE DENTAL IMPLANT
\$2500
Includes X-ray, Crown, Implant & Abutment

Missing
A Tooth?

Anxiety? Let relaxation replace
apprehension with IV sedation
and sleep dentistry

Harvest Dental Centre
Dalla
604-599-1000

Dental Centres
Port Coquitlam Dental Centre
Port Coquitlam
604-941-0477

Happy Molar Dental Centre
Burnaby
604-232-9223

VANCOUVER
SUN

NEW AGREEMENT, NEW NAME
USMCA replaces NAFTA **A4, B1, NP1**



GONZO
GONZALEZ
Musician backs
up his talk **C1**

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BIWEEKLY WESTCOAST SINCE 1912

POSTMEDIA

NEWS

BRAMHAM

Overdose crisis
could have
one benefit **A3**

SURREY

Mail-in voting
applications
have raised
eyebrows **A4**

NP

CANADA

Quebec Liberals
knocked out
of power
by CAQ **NP3**

INDONESIA

Hundreds
still 'buried
in mud' **NP7**

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ENERGY

Kitimat prepares for LNG upheaval

Residents ponder good and bad mega-project would have on town

MATT ROBINSON

Residents of the small coastal B.C. town of Kitimat are contemplating the future of their northern community as they wait for an announcement that LNG Canada will

proceed with its export terminal mega-project. Two of the international consortium's five partners announced approval of their investments last week. However, no official announcement has been made from all the partners.

Cor Rhode has seen big projects come and go in Kitimat, though nowhere near the scale of LNG Canada, touted as the largest infrastructure project the country has ever seen.

The longtime chef and owner of Cor's Place restaurant — who is about to retire — said the investment decision would bring financial good to the community, as well as change, for better or worse.

■ PALMER'S VIEW, A5

"It's the same as everywhere else: the boom and bust cycle," Rhode said, as he mopped the floors.

While a fine-dining restaurant in a small town won't make its owner rich, Rhode said, many of his diners were corporate customers whose visits coincided with big jobs.

SEE LNG ON A6



JASON PATRIS

THE FOREST FACTORY

Professional forester Dave Kolotelo, left, and B.C. Tree Seed Centre manager Michael Postma sort through cones ready to be processed for their seeds at the Surrey centre, which is the primary provider of cone seeds for B.C.'s forest industry. See story on **A8**

NO PENALTIES FOR PRIVATE CLINICS

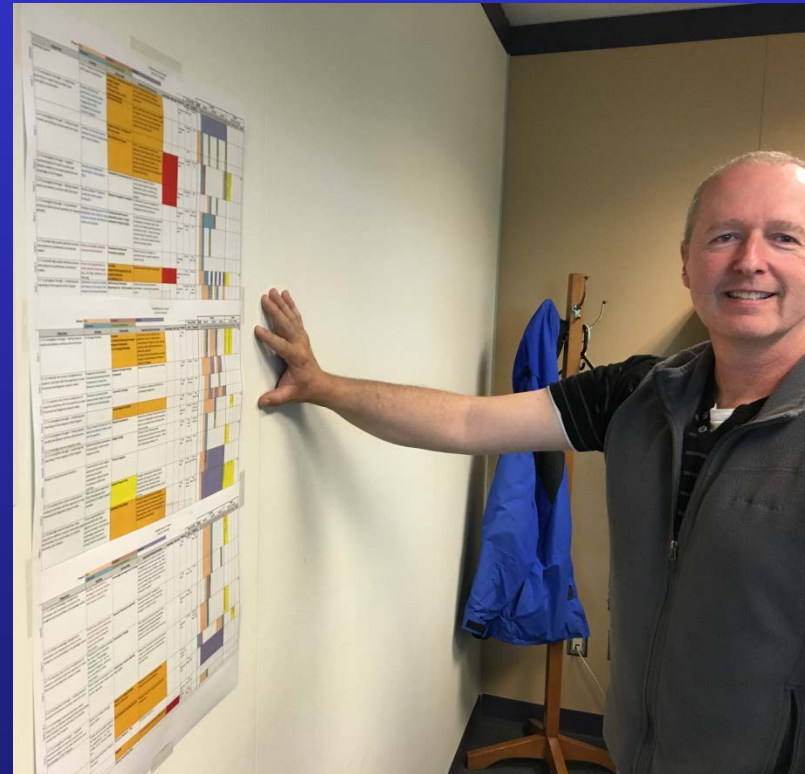
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Our Core Business

Our core business is to:

1. Coordinate the ministry's forest research program
2. Provide contract management services for two Divisions
3. Tree improvement
 - Manage and conserve BC's forest genetic resources
 - Provide quality tree seed for the reforestation of Crown land



Branch Overview

- Part of OCF Division
- 57 full time, 20 long-term auxiliary, 50-100 seasonal staff
- 6 sections
- 9 locations
- Main elements
- Funding



Status Today

- World class tree breeding program
- 5 large seed orchard complexes
- Tree Seed Center handling SRQ for 270 million seedlings/year
- Solid regulatory framework and IM/IT systems
- Extension
- Stakeholder support
- Collaborative endeavor



Challenges

- Challenges and opportunities to improve
- Succession
- Major capital
- Geographic dispersal
- Funding model



A wide-angle photograph of a nursery field. In the foreground, rows of young pine trees are planted in white plastic mulch trays. The trays are arranged in a grid pattern. In the background, there is a large, light-colored building with a steeple, likely a church, and other structures. The field is surrounded by a fence, and there are trees and hills in the distance. The sky is clear and blue.

**The End
(and the next beginning)**